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SUBJECT: SOVIET-AFGHAN AID AND DEBT RESCHEDULING AGREEMENT

REF: A) CERT 0002; B) KABUL 0340

1. IN A CONVERSATION JANUARY 16 WITH MINISTER OF PLANNING KHURRAM, USAID DIRECTOR BROWN OBTAINED SOME ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE NEW AFGHAN-SOVIET AID AGREEMENT REPORTED REF B.

2. ACCORDING TO KHURRAM, THE LARGEST SINGLE PROJECT USING THIS CREDIT WILL BE AN IRRIGATION SCHEME ON TRIBUTARIES OF THE AMU DARYA RIVER (OXUS) RIVER, INVOLVING APPROXIMATELY 110,000 HECTARES (272,000 ACRES) WHICH WILL BE DEVOTED PRIMARILY TO COTTON CULTIVATION. MINISTER KHURRAM STATED THAT THE PROJECT WOULD NOT BE OPERATIONAL FOR TEN YEARS, BUT THAT WORK ON IT WAS STARTING IMMEDIATELY. HE FURTHER STATED THAT THE
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CREDIT WOULD BE USED FOR ENGINEERING AND PLANNING OF ALL THE

PROJECTS PREVIOUSLY MENTIONED, AS WELL AS FOR THE
IMPLEMENTATION OF AGREED PROJECTS.

3. MINISTER KHURRAM ALSO REPORTED BETTER TERMS FOR THIS CREDIT
THAN HAVE PREVIOUSLY PREVAILED. THIS CREDIT CARRIES AN
INTEREST OF TWO PERCENT, INSTEAD OF THE THREE PERCENT WHICH
AFGHANISTAN HAS PAID IN THE PAST, AND THE REPAYMENT PERIOD
HAS BEEN DOUBLED TO THIRTY YEAGL, WITH AN EIGHT YEAR GRACE
PERIOD. MINISTER KHURRAM PROVIDED NO NEW INFORMATION ON THE
DEBT RESCHEDULING.
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